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In re of Applicant)
Hirohisa Kikuyama et al) Art Group: 1724
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Title: METHOD OF REMOVING)
CALCIUM FROM WATER) ATTN: Office of Publications
CONTAINING CALCIUM)
HYDROGEN CARBONATE IN HIGH)
CONCENTRATION)

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Respectfully submitted,

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